IRONTON.

NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

THE run on the New Haven (Conn.) Savngs Bank terminated on the 27th. \$250,000 having been paid out.

THE Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph Company has reduced rates to Mexico and South American points.

tawa on the 29th, and the speech of the Governor-General was read. SECRETARY CHANDLER is investigating

the conduct of the officers of the Lancaster reported to him from Nice, France. THE arrest of Cunningham, it is thought,

in London will lead to important imformation relative to other dynamiters. A Paris paper professes to know that

the official report has much understated the losses of the British in the Soudan. A RESOLUTION was introduced in the

Texas House of Representatives on the 29th, denouncing the London dynamiters. THE French are preparing for concerted action in Tonquin, and within a short while will have 40,000 soldiers in the prov-

Ir is asserted that Italy is ready to send, when the emergency arises, 25,000 soldiers to Egypt to assist in the support of British authority there. A BILL was introduced in the Massa-

chusetts Senate on the 27th to punish anyone engaging directly or indirectly in dynamite explosions. THE majority report of the Resolution Committee of the Silver Convention at

Denver, Col., advocates the enforcement of the Bland act to its limit. THE President, in a message on the 29th, furnished the House of Representatives in-

formation called for respecting the United States in the Congo Conference. THE Post-office appropriation bill, as completed by the House Committee on

Post-offices and Post-roads, provides total appropriations of \$52,253,200. THERE is a constantly increasing attendance at the New Orleans Exposition,

and visitors are rapidly arriving, most of whom will remain until after Mardi Gras. An imaginary infernal machine was found in the hall in front of the British Consul-General's office, New York, on the 27th. It was harmless and was simply a

boax. SECRETARY CHANDLER has informed the House of Representatives that when the United States ship Tallapoosa collided she was on one of her regular freighting cruises.

THE House Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads has decided to report favorably the bill to reduce postage on second-class matter from two to one cent per pound.

MR. RANDALL returned to Washington on the 30th fresh from an interview with the President-elect; and Mr. Carlisle was on the same day the guest of Mr. Cleveland at Albany.

THE will of the late Schuyler Colfax has been admitted to probate. The estate is valued at \$550,000, unincumbered. Mrs. Colfax and Schuyler Colfax, Jr., are the sole beneficiaries.

THE Oklahoma boomers have come to terms, and have agreed to quit the country and go over into Kansas rather than have a conflict. General Hatch is withdrawing the troops.

For the last quarter of 1884 the sales of postage stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards showed a net decrease of 1 2-10 per cent. as compared with the corresponding quarter of 1883.

THE run on the Savings Bank at New Haven, Conn., was continued on the 26th. About 300 accounts were closed on that day and \$100,000 paid out. The bank

seemed to have plenty of money. SECRETARY CHANDLER has ordered the Pacific squadron to proceed to Ecuador, to protect an American who is imprisoned there for complicity in the rebellion, and whose speedy execution is apprehended.

"United IRELAND" denounces the recent dynamite outrages in London as the work of men who pretend to believe they can save Ireland by carrying on a campaign against stone walls and stained

THE iron manufacturers of the Mahoning Valley of Ohio and Cleveland are considering the question of closing down all their mills from February 15th to June 1st, on account of the high price of labor and the low price of goods.

THE House Committee on Claims has agreed, by a majority vote, to report to the House and recommend the passage of a bill which makes provisions for refunding to the various States the amounts paid by them on account of war taxes.

A BILL was introduced in the New York Senate on the 26th prescribing severe penalties for making, dealing in or transporting nitro or chlorate explosives within the State with intent to use the same for the injury of life or the destruction of

GENERAL SLOCUM seems to think the bill for the retirement of General Grant can be passed if brought up in the regular form, but it will be a difficult matter to have the rules suspended, and for that reason the bill may not be reached this

THE President gave his annual State dinner to the members of the diplomatic corps at the White House the evening of the 28th. Of the forty guests present fifteen were envoys and seven charge d' affaires, representing altogether twentytwo friendly powers.

O'Donovan Rossa said to a New York reporter anent the recent explosions: "Before we get through with them our neighbors over the way will get tired. I decline to say whether or not I knew in advance of the explosion in London, but I will tell you this much, there is more of it to

AT a meeting of the local branch of the National League at Clonmel, Ireland, on nails five cents a keg, and those at Philathe 26th, a Town Councilman spoke in delphia have advanced the card price about don. There was such a storm of dissent that the speaker was forced to sit down. A priest who presided denounced the dy-

FIFTY villages in Spain were destroyed and two thousand lives lost by the recent earthquakes. Thirty thousand persons have left Malaga, and those who remain are sleeping in the open air. The death rate from diseases has increased three hundred per cent. In one village a river disappeared, in another churches, convents and occupants were swallowed up.

XLVIIITH CONGRESS.

In the Senate on the 26th Mr. Chase (of Rhode Island) was sworn in. A memorial from the Kansas Legislature remonstrating against the establishment of a cattle trail across or through that State was presented. Mr. Bayard's resolution expressing indignation over the London explosions and denouncing dynamiters was taken up, and after debate was adopted by a vote of 61 to 1, Mr. Riddleberger alone voting in the negativeIn the House the army appropriation bill was reported. Speeches in memory of the late Congressmen Duncan (of Pennsylvania) were was reported. Speeches in memory of the late Congressman Duncan (of Pennsylvania) were made. A bill was introduced appropriating

made. A bill was introduced appropriating money to establish a navy yard at Brunswick, Ga. Resolutions of inquiry were introduced as follows: Whether any persons in the United States, directly or indirectly, have had anything to do with the recent London explosions; in reference to extending the bonded period for d stilled spirits; whether the Clearing House Association of New York refuses to receive silver dollars or certificates in settlement of balances. In the Senate on the 27th the Committee

THE Dominion Parliament opened at Oton Finance reported favorably, with amendments, the House bill for the retirement and recoinage of the trade dollar. The confer recoinage of the trade dollar. The conference report on the naval bill was reported favorably and was adopted. Mr. Hale stating that it had been stripped of all new legislation.... In the House Mr. White wanted the journal corrected, claiming that his resolution to abolish the office of Internal Revenue Commissioner had been stricken out, and had not been printed in the Record, and in response to a question of privilege by Mr. White, defended his right to do what Mr. White complained of. The matter was then dropped. The army bill was passed with some slight The army bill was passed with some slight amendments. One amendment was offered providing for the retirement of General Grant (though not specially naming him) with the rank and full pay of General. This

was ruled out on a point of order by Mr. Forney, who had charge of the bill. In the Senate on the 28th several messages were received from the President transmitting information heretofore called for in regard to the landing of foreign cables in the United States, the awards of the Venezuelan mixed commission, and the status of the Oklahoma lands, which lands, the President thinks, can not, under the present treaties, be opened for settlement. The Senate then went into executive session on the Nicaraguan treaty and discussed that matter until 7:30 p. m......In the House a concurrent resolution was in-troduced relative to counting the electoral vote and fixing February 11th as the day. Referred. A resolution was adopted request-ing the President to transmit a copy of the recent appeal of Fitz John Porter. A communication was received from the Secretary of the Navy recommending that Congress ten der Russia and certain people official expres-sion of its thanks for the aid and sympathy given the Jeannette exploring party. The conference report on the six months' naval appropriation bill was agreed to. Attempts were made to take various bills from the

in making motions, and nothing was accomplished before adjournment. In the Senate on the 29th Mr. Pendleton presided. The bill to facilitate promotions throughout the army by retiring from ac tive service on their own applications officers who served in the war of the rebellion, was reported adversely. The or-der of exercises prepared by the Wash-ington Monument Commission was apington Monument Commission was ap-proved. The Senate then went into executive session on the Nicaraguan treaty, and when the doors were reopened adjourned.... In the House the river and harpor appropriation bill was discussed in committee of the whole. Mr. willis me le a brief explanation of the features and a statement of the large items of appropriation. largest appropriation is for the improvement of the Mississippi liver, for which \$3,-\$55,000 is given, or about forty per cent of the estimate asked. Objection was made because of the larger amount appropriated for the river below Cairo. Mr. Gloson opposed the creation of the office of Advising En-glager of the Mississippi River Commission.

calendar, but so many members wanted some particular bill that much time was lost

No final action was taken. In the Senate on the 30th a memorial from a number of naval officers was preented protesting against the passage of the resolution giving the thanks of Congress to Commander Schley and Lieutenant Emery, for such a resolution, they claim, would advance these officers one the list of their respective ranks. Hoar asked unanimous consent to take up the Pacific Railroad bill, but did not want the Pacific Railroad bill, but did not want action taken immediately on its passage. He spoke at length, as did also Mr. Garland. The report was also read. Mr. Pagh spoke on the inter-State commerce bill and favored the Commission plan and opposed the Reagan bill.....In the House Mr. Blackburn presided, Mr. Carlisle being absent. The Post-office appropriation bill was reported and referred. A message was received from the President in reference to the loan of the British steamer Alert for use in the Greely relief expedition. He asks permission to return the vessel with a suitable acknowledgment of the courtesy, etc

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

INTELLIGENCE was received on the 28th at the British war office that General Stewart's forces were intrenched south of Metamneh, and they were in communication with General Gordon. More severe fighting with the rebels was reported.

SIR CHARLES WILSON is in command of General Stewart's forces at Metamneh. the General being quite seriously wounded. Lord St. Vincent was among the killed.

ONCE more it is reported that France has decided, officially, to declare war against

China. THE wife of the late President Garfield has been sued for \$25,000 by a Cleveland woman of shady reputation, who collided with Mrs. Garfield's carriage.

THE American Base Ball Association insists that it should be allowed to locate a club at Chicago since the Lucas Club, of St. Louis, has been admitted into the

Another violent shock of earthquake occurred on the 28th at Alhama, Spain. THE sixteenth annual session of the National Board of Trade began on the 28th at

Washington, D. C. Official dispatches received at Paris announce the virtual suppression of the revolt in Cambodia.

MRS. DOOLEY, of Winterset, Ia., who was deserted by her husband, gave her son and daughter opium and took a dose herself. The girl recovered; the others died. A PULLMAN palace car conductor ejected

three prominent citizens of Mississippi from his car, charging them with being pickpockets, and now they have entered suit against the company for \$25,000 damages each. CORRESPONDENTS of two of the London

papers were killed by the rebels in the recent engagement with General Stewart's troops on the march to Metamneh. THE thermometer registered 15 degrees below zero at Chicago on the 28th; and

Burlington, Dubuque, Winnipeg and St. Paul 26, 22, 28 and 20 degrees, respect-QUEEN VICTORIA has conferred the Albert medal upon Constable Cole, so severe-

ly injured in the discharge of his duty at the time of the explosion at Westminster Hall. EX-GOVERNOR LELAND STANFORD Was elected United States Senator by the Cali-

fornia Legislature on the 28th. Only one hallot was taken. JAY L. TORREY has been appointed lelegate from the St. Louis Merchants' Exchange to go to Washington in connec

tion with the Lowell bankruptcy bill. A COAL mine at Plummer Hill, O., was fired on the 29th, supposably by incendiaries. THE Evening Star building at Washing-

ton, D. C., was partially destroyed by fire on the 29th. THE nail manufacturers of Wheeling W. Va., have advanced card rates on cut

gnt per cent. EMPEROR WILLIAM of Germany, by adrice of his physician, will not attend the ourt ball. THE Nicaraguan treaty failed of ratifi-

cation in the Senate on the 29th by four BARRISTER ADAMS, of London, Eng., has brought a direct action for libel

now move.

against Lord Chief Justice Coleridge. ELIJAH M. HINES was elected permanent Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives on the 29th. The wheels will

THE Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Road has announced a reduction of freight rates

from Pittsburgh to Chicago. THE crew of the British bark Wellington mutinied off Cornwall, and the Captain was killed and the mate wounded. The vessel was towed into Plymouth and the crew arrested.

Some of the Detroit (Mich.) cigar factories have reduced the rates of wages, and the union will resist the cut. A BREAK is reported in the levee at Desonia, on the Mississippi, and much dam-

age was feared. A BILL was introduced in the Wisconsin Legislature on the 29th appropriating \$20,-

000 for the State weather service. ATELEGRAM from Secretary Teller to the Silver Convention at Denver, Col., on the 29th, was the cause for loud and long

REV. STEPHEN GLADSTONE, son of the English Prime Minister, was married on the 29th to Miss Mary Wilson, daughter of

a retired physician. THE second day's session of the National Board of Trade at Washington, D. C., on the 29th, was followed in the evening by a banquet. In the New York State Senate on the

29th a resolution was adopted requesting Congress to appropriate \$30,000 for the Hennepin Canal. JAMES DONOHUE, of Pittsburgh, Pa. proposes to enter an ejectment suit against

property-owners of Detroit for 300 acres of property in the heart of the city, valued at \$50,000,000.

THE inaugural address of Governor Oglesby of Illinois was submitted to the Legislature on the 30th.

FORTY persons are reported killed in recent railway accident in Australia. Dr. BURBANK, of the United States Navy, died suddenly at Portsmouth, N., H., on the 30th.

Iowa has taken most of the premiums for dairy products at the New Orleans Exposition

THE Emperor of Germany is again well enough to go out driving. THE Union League Club of New York will tender President-elect Cleveland a re-

THE Montreal carnival was practically concluded the evening of the 30th with a ball at the Windsor Hotel. A MONSTER temperance meeting in New

York on the evening of the 30th was addressed by three Bishops. The attendance was enormous. A serious accident occurred on the New Jersey Central Railroad on the outskirts

of Jersey City, N. J., on the 30th, by which several cars were derailed and smashed, and many of the passengers injured, some of them fatally. A broken wheel was the cause. A DISPATCH received from Shanghai or the 30th, stated that it was rumored in

that city and generally believed, that the French fleet under Admiral Courbet, and the vessels comprising the entire Chinese fleet, met off Matsai and a sanguinary naval battle, lasting several hours, fol-THE authorities at Scotland Yard have

received information that an attempt

to blow up the British Museum with dynamite is imminent, and have taken extraordinary precautions to prevent the catas-THE business failures for the seven days ended the 30th numbered for the United

States, 317; Canada, 37; total, 354; as compared with the total of 411 the preceding week, and 420 the week previous. THE Secretary of the Interior thinks that while the Oklahoma lands retain their

present status they will be a source of constant trouble. THE newspapers of San Francisco, Cal., have entered upon a crusade against the iniquitous practice just discovered of white mothers selling their babes to the Chinese.

A REPORTER is said to have been insulted at Vienna by the Reichsrath, and until that body apologizes the meetings will not be reported by the local newspapers. JONES, alias Jimmy Carroll, the notori-

ous American burglar, who was released from the Penitentiary at Kingston, Ont., on the 3)th, exhibited American bonds to the value of \$100,000. THE session of the National Board of

Trade at Washington, D. C., on the 30th, was a lengthy one. Special attention was given to the discussion of the pending

A MEMBER of the Paris Municipal Coungoing down. cil moved an appropriation of 50,000,000 francs for labor associations, but the motion was voted down by an overwhelming majority.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

THE Senate was not in session on the 31st.....In the House a communication was presented from the Supervising Architect asking increased amounts for the public buildings at Jefferson City and Kansas City, Mo. In committee of the whole consideration of the river and harbor bill was resumed. Mr. Thomas said he regarded the bill in the main a very fair one; but many of the items he objected to. Mr. Mills spoke in favor of the improvement of Galveston harbor, and commended Captain Eads' plans. Mr. Blanchard defended the bill against the attacks of Mr. Bayne. The latter was opposed to the Galveston Harbor clause, and denounced the Hennepin Canal scheme. He criticised Captain James B. Eads, and objected to certain matters with which it was proposed to connect his name. He thought also that too much money was set apart for the Mississippi River. Mr. Willis spoke in explanation of the features of the bill. Pending further debate the

House adjourned. DUNCAN Ross, the wrestler, has again challenged the world. A COLORED woman and her two children were burned to death in their home at Al-

toona, Pa., on the 31st. THE French forces in Tonquin consume 18,000 worth of quinine per month. THE tin can works of Beardsley & Co., Cleveland, O., burned on the 31st; loss,

\$25,000. SIR WILLIAM VERNON HARCOURT, British Home Secretary, received an anonymous letter on the 31st informing him of an extensive dynamite plot that is being hatched.

A SHOCK of earthquake was felt at several towns in Westehester County, New York, on the 31st.

THE wholesale drug store of J. J. Burdsall & Co., Cincinnati, O., was damaged \$45,000 by fire the evening of the 31st. SECRETARY CHANDLER has directed the resumption of work at the navy yards and stations which was suspended the 1st of January on account of the failure of Con-

gress to provide for its continuance. THE Arkansas L gislature, on the 31st, elected Hon. James K. Jones to the United States Senate to succeed Senator Walker. Mr. Jones is now the Representative from the Third District.

By explosions of natural gas in Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 31st, several persons were fatally and a number seriously injured, and a few buildings demolished. The effect was terrible, and caused almost

a panic in the city. GENERAL HATCH and his troops have returned to Caldwell, Kas., from Stillwater, in Oklahoma. The General says the boomers have all left, but declare they will soon return. Couch and three of his arrested at Odessa. Lieutenants have been arrested.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

THE LEGISLATURE. Both the Sena e and House held brief essions on the 26th. In the fermer body the following were among the bills introduced: To establish a uniform system of text books submitting a constitutional amendment; concerning the road tax; hereasing the public school appropriations; amending the instrance laws; requiring dogs to be taxed. The House met at six o'clock and adjourned without transacting any business, as the half was undergoing raj a rs

In the Senate on the 27th the bills introduced were the following: Authorizing courts of countles containing 75,000 inhabitants to locate and maintain an insane asyum: appropriating \$15,000 in ald of the mill tia. The hepresentatives entered and in joint session the Downing high license amendment was to have been considered, but no definite action was taken...... In the House no quorum was present, but business proceeded. A resolution was offered deproceeded. A resolution was onered de-nouncing the dynamiters who tried to blow up the Government buildings in London, Action was postponed until the 29th. Among the bills introduced were the following: Providing for the transfer of the State's nkin find; abolishing specific personal exemptions; preventing public executions; amend ing the game law; authorizing county court to employ a liters; creating the office of Bank Commissioner and defining his duties and powers; prohibiting corporal punishment in State histitutions. Among bills passed in the Senate on the

28th were the following: Changing the terms of Prosecting Attorneys from two to four years; to provide for the appointment of a County Counsellor to defend or prosecute ivil actions for counties having over 75,000 habitants. Several petitions against prohibition were presented, and also petitions favoring temperance education in the schools. Among bills introduced were the following: Creating a school-book publishing board; transferring from the treasury any money not needed to defray the expenses of the State to the sinking fund In the House a communication was received In the House a communication was received from the St. Louis House of Delegates asking for the repeal of the contract system of labor. Δ petition asking for the abolition of the State Board of Health was presented. Among bills introduced were the following: Regulating passenger rates on the railroads of the State, making rates on the trunk lines tracked a half cents per mile and three cents. two and a half cents per mile and three cent on branches; repealing the felony clause o on branches, the state of the Johnson gambling law; authorizing the organization of trust companies without regular banking license; making deeds of trust expire at the end of ten years unless renewed; to abolish the present system of

leasing convict labor. In the Senate on the 29th remonstrances against prohibitory legislation were presented. Among the bills introduced were: Pro vising for the appointment of assistan Prosecut nz Attorneys in counties of 75,00 inhabitants or over; extending the Supreme Court Commission for two years longer; amending the as i n next law. The bill to a "lish milease an . p r clem in going or coming to the Legisla use was lai! on the tails. Amendments to the Downing law were considered. The proposition to raise telle as on wine and beer saloons was discussed at leath, but no vote was reacted..... in the House a resolution of its ed for the appointment of an assistant reacted. At the House a restaudable let ed for the appointment of an assistant Postmaster for that holy was lost. A resolution was a topted cathing for information in reference to the ages of staden's admitted at the State University. Among the bills is troduced were: Repealing the special juror law, establishing a uniform passenger rate on reliroads; to establish a medianical inustrial inst tute and appropriating \$30,000

therefor; relating to street railways. In the Senate on the 30th the House bill providing for officers of the Kansas City Court of Appeals was passed. The bill intended to lessen the cost of assessing and collecting the revenue was ordered engrossed and printed. An executive session was then held. Mr. Wood introduced a bill outhorizing the erection of Court-houses and jails at places other than the county seats where terms of Circuit or Courts of Common Pleas are held.....Pet:tions from a number of counties asking for temperance education -prohibition petitions from many counties. mong the bills introduced were: Requiring Probate Judges to have an office at the coun ty seat; exempting pharmacists from jury duty; providing that in citles of less than 10, 600 population a majority of all the tax-payers must sign a petition before a dramsho license can be issued; to prevent the sprea of hog cholera; regulating tates charged by telegraph companies. A joint and concur-re it resolution, providing for the amend-ment of the Constitution with regard to re-moval of the State capital to Sedalia, was

presented, the question to be submitted at the next general election. Miscellaneous Items.

A fire broke out in F. G. C owley's carriage shop at Sedalia a few nights ago. He loses about \$2,000, and is fully insured. The building belonged to J. Weil, of St. Louis, and is a total loss.

The annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, takes place at Kansas City on the 4th, 5th and 6th of March, for which extensive preparations are being made. It is expected that General Sherman will preside at the annual banquet.

A passenger train on the Missouri Pacific jumped the track while crossing the Little Blue River near Independence, a few days ago, and miraculously escaped John C. Landzettel a few nights ago

wanted to go in the St. Louis Morgue and die on a slab. He was taken to the Police Station, where died ten minutes after ar-Mr. James Larkin, a prominent citizen of Lafayette County, died at his home a

few days ago from heart disease and general debility. He was in his seventieth Thomas M. Winston, Sr., Marshal of the Supreme Court, died at Jefferson City a few days ago after a long illness. He was sixty-eight years old, and had been a resident of the city for forty years. He had been a prominent politician, and was a man highly respected by all who knew

him. He leaves a wife, three daughters and two sons. Dr. J. C. Hearne, Secretary of the State Board of Health, arrived in Jefferson City a few days ago, armed with some hundred and fifty letters written by physicians in various parts of the State, commending the action of the Board in the past, setting forth its usefulness, and asking the Legislature to continue the Board.

An enthusiastic meeting was held in Sedalia a few nights ago to take action regarding the building of a standard gauge railroad to Marshall and to make some move toward moving the State capital to Sedalia. Action was taken looking to the early building of the road. Quite a sum of money was subscribed to defray the ex; enses of submitting an amendment to the State Constitution, and a committee was appointed to solicit further subscripions to secure the necessary amount.

Winter hangs on with a firm grip. Abe Langston, Riley Mostrey and John Drisco were arrainged before Justice Olirat St. Joseph a few days since on a charge of burgiary. These are the burglars so neatly trapped by the police a few

nights ago. A. C. Williams, one of the oldest grocery nerchants in Independence has failed, Preferred creditors are P. P. Parker, Mrs. Lina Parker and McCoy & Son, bankers. Other large crediters are Beckham, Mercer & Co., Kansas City, and the St. Louis Glass Company. This following the failure of Sullivan & Sons, has badly affected Lusiness circles.

Gummersell's fashionable dry goods house in St. Louis has failed. Sedalia folks at Jefferson City say they talk about capital moving just to make the Jefferson City people mad, and that it's all a joke.

Joseph Miehler, a German, thirty-four years of age, who had been employed as a driver on the Broadway street-car line in St. Louis, sent his wife out to visit her mother a few days ago. Between five and six o'clock in the evening she returned to find the door locked. Forcing it, she found her husband lying dead on the floor, still clutching a pistol, from which he had sent a bullet through his brain. Beside his widow he leaves a child two years of age. Four more of the Durbin gang have been THE CONGO BASIN.

Communication From Secretary Freling. huysen Explaining the Whys and the Wherefores of American Repres In the Congo Conference-The Course Our Delegates.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 30. Secretary Frelinghuysen has sent to the President a long communication in response to the resolution recently introduced in the House by Representative Perry Belmont and adopted by that body, calling for information respecting the participation of the United States in the Congo Basin Conference; the motives which led this Government to participate; the manner in which it participated, and the views which may have been sustained by its delegates at the conference. The Secretary refers to the resolution adopted by the Senate in April last, advising the President to recognize the flag of the International Association of the Congo, and the appointment of a commercial agent for the Congo Basin as the first steps toward an international expression of the views of this Government with regard to the Congo country. In carrying out these measures the Government recorded its share in the general conviction that the prospective rich trade of the Congo Valley should be open to all nations on equal terms, while avoiding an prejudg. from the wreck, more or less injured, ment of conflicting territorial claims in hat region.

Last October the German Minister at Washington, speaking for Germany and France, called upon the Secretary and proposed to arrange, in a spirit of mutual good understanding, the conditions which would tend to assure the development of commerce with the Congo Valley, and the United States was asked to take part in the Berlin Conference.

Subsequently Minister Kasson was instructed to report upon the advisability of this Government being represented at the conference. Mr. Kasson reported in favor of representation, and he, together with Mr. Henry S. Sanford, were appointed delegates from the United States. As the Conference is still in session no final estimate of results can be given. So far Mr. Kasson and Mr. Sanford have confined their propositions to matters affecting commercial intercourse with the whole Congo region, freedom of navigation of the rivers, and land communications between the coasts and the interior, without advancing any plan affecting the political tenure of the divers

territories. A proposition advanced by Mr. Kasson making not only the Congo River and tributaries, but the whole territory of the Congo Basin neutral in time of war, is still under consideration in the conference, and so far as known it has the approval

of all the Powers represented there, except France and Portugal. Up to this time the department has seen no reason to feel otherwise than satisfied with the discretion, prudence and ability with which Mr. Kasson has carried out the instructions given to him. Beside limiting the position of the United States to one of commercial interest, disfrom onestions of terr control, he has been attentive that no act on our part shall deviate from consistent National policy. He has been careful that no expression should be found on record in the agreement of the Conference, which might imply that its results are to be binding upon any power which may not formally accept them. Other papers and correspondence bearing upon the subject, and reports of the proceedings of the Conference, will be transmitted to Congress as soon as received and translated at the department.

ON THE HIGH SEAS.

Bloody Mutiny On Board a Swedish Brigantine-The Captain's Son and Two of the Mutineers Killed-The Captain and Others Wounded-A Narrow Escape. .

NEW YORK, January 29. Captain Endstorm of the Swedish brigantine Natal, who arrived Saturday, had a thrilling experience with mutineers while on a voyage from Boston to Brisbane, Australia, involving the death of three persons, the terrible wounding of the Captain, and the injury of others on board. The Captain related the particulars to-day. He says: "We had been two months out from Boston when one night I was awakened out of a nap by a blow on the head. Above me stood the ship's carpenter, and in a second more the broad-ax head flew off. The carpenter then drew his sheath-knife and thrust it into my neck. A struggle ensued,

during which my hands were CUT TO THE BONE. The mutineers then left and the first mate came to my assistance. We went on deck together and found the steward armed with an ax and two seamen each grasp ing a capstan bar. I drew my pistol, and we grappled with the mutineers, who ran forward and jumped down a hatch, and we put on the scuttle and battened it down. I was weak from loss of blood. Upon returning on deck I found Johansen, one of the men, forward. I ordered him aft under pain of instant death, and he obeyed. We then took in the small sails,

and Johansen went to the wheel. THE MATE MURDERED. "We then made the startling discovery that the second mate had been murdered and thrown overboard. The first mate. before coming to my aid, had been shot under the right eye. Four days later we opened the hatch and ordered the men to surrender, but they refused. I then fired into the hold, and a struggle ensued, during which six shots were fired, and the carpenter and steward were killed. The second mate, who was murdered, was my son. Upon reaching Brisbane, Taton and Rufus were placed under arrest, but were released, as nothing could be proved against them. We shipped a new crew

upon our arrival at Brisbane."

The Disadvantage of Being Old. NEW YORK, January 29. George Gould, son of Jay Gould, bought a seat in the Stock Exchange. The Committee on Admissions met to-day, and will probably act favorably in Gould's case, and adversely to C. P. Huntington, who lately purchased a seat. His admission is opposed on account of his age. The members of the exchange compose a mutual life insurance society, and they generally dislike to have old men come in on this account. Huntington also has many personal enemies, who will seek to prevent his admission.

The Medics at Dinner.

NEW YORK, January 30. The annual dinner of the officers and graduates of the medical department of the University of the City of New York took place yesterday evening, at which were present many prominent members of the medical profession, also of the law, the church and the press and of the city government. Professor E. A. McDonald presided. The annual report was presented by Dr. C. J. Pardee, the Dean of the University, and showed the college to be in a most prosperous condition, and the faculty is constantly applying its facilities for chemical and didactic teach

A BAD WRECK.

An Express Train Derailed, Causing a General Smashup, In Which a Large Number of Passengers Receive Serious Injuries,

Some of Which are Thought to be Fatal. JEESEY CITY, N. Y., January 30. A frightful accident occurred this morning on the New Jersey Central Railroad, anumber of persons being killed or wounded, as the fast express from Philadelphia was approaching Danforth avenue, just after crossing the cemetery bridge a wheel of one of the forward coaches broke, causing several other cars to leave the track. The derailed cars crashed into a coal train standing on a siding, upsetting the coal cars and piling upon them in a wrecked condition. The cars of the express were well filled with passengers. As the cars crashed into one another the shrieks of men and women were heartrending.

Assistance was at once telegraphed for, and the various hospitals of the city promptly responded with corps of doctors and a number of ambulances. The railroad hands soon set to work extricating the wounded from the wreck, while doctors bandanged their wounds and sent them to the hospitals. At eleven o'clock twenty-seven persons had deen taken some, it is feared, fatally. Others are still in the wreck, wedged in among brcken timbers, etc.

It is reported that several corpses can be seen amid the debris. The train was running at a high rate of speed at the time, being due at Jersey City at 9:30

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The railroad officials can not account for the breaking of the wheel, as the underpinning of the cars, axles, etc., are carefully examined and sounded at every stop between Philadelphia and Jersey City.

Following are the names of the injured as far as at present learned: M. M. Fredericks, Boundbrook, N. J.

seriously injured. W. Easton, engineer, badly hurt about C. J. Burdell, conductor, painfully M. Shadwick, brakeman, severely

ured. M. D. Cornell, of Philadelphia, seri ously bruised. E. K. Searville, C. Reed and H. Bray, of Philadelphia, badly injured. B. F. Scattergood, of Scattergood Co., Philadelphia, right arm lacerated

and almost torn from the socket. Charles H. Pray, of the firm of Holmes Pray, Philadelphia, head cut and skull fractured. Injuries probably fatal. O. Reed, Philadelphia, nose broken, face cut and one eye probably dislodged. Henry Tracey, of Compton & Tracey,

Philadelphia, head cut and frontal bon

broken; injuries likely to prove fatal. M. D. Conway, of Philadelphia, arm cut and ribs broken. Walter Chickner, a brakeman, was body, and severely injured internally. B. W. Vanline, of Philadelphia,

fractured; probably fatally injured. It is now stated that no dead bodies are in the wreck. The engineer and conductor of the train, previously reported among the injured, escaped unhurt. B. Wink, of Philadelphia, seriously

J. Kelly, of Philadelphia, left arm in J. T. Halloway and J. Connelly, of Philadelphia, shock and cuts. E. C. Nephews, of Philadelphia, bruised

H. D. Corcoran, of Philadelphia, head Charles Fralley, of Boundbrook, cut and

H. C. Wade of Boundbrook, cut and badly injured. Several gentlemen who were cut and bruised refused their names for publication for fear of alarming their friends. was on the accommodation train which arrived within five minutes after the accident to the express train, says it was occasioned by one wheel of the tender leav-ing the track, which opened the switch so that the smoker switched off and ran into the coal train on the siding, dragging the other cars with it. The engine broke

loose and ran a quarter of a mile before it was stopped The smoker was completely wrecked. A Pullman and three coaches following were badly smashed, four coal cars were destroyed, and the coal scattered over the ground for fifty yards. The track is so badly torn up that it will require relaying at the place of the accident, and the trains will consequently be

delayed. A JUVENILE PANIC.

Fifty Jovenile Templars Hemmed In in Lodge Room By Fire-All But One Res-

cued-Death From Excitement. BUFFALO, N. Y., January 30 Last night a fire originated in the three-story building corner of Main and Lake streets, Angola, N. Y., twenty-one miles from this city, caused by the explosion of a lamp in a lodge room of the Juvenile Templars, which was in session at the time. There were about fifty children in the room, and a scene of frantic excitement followed the explosion. The citizens procured ladders and began removing the children from the building, the stairways having burned. Many jumped from the windows and several were seriously injured. Katie Baugert and a small boy received fractures of their legs. Another boy, Bertie Plare, who was known to have been in the room, can not be found, and probably perished. Wm. Thompson, aged sixty-six, was overcome with excitement, and upon reaching his home dropped dead. The

loss is estimated at \$20,000. A Suspected Dynamiter.

LONDON, January 31. The man arrested in Westminster district on suspicion of being a dynamiter, had occupied the lodging where he was found for a fortnight, and had been under police surveilance for several days. A black box which he kept in his room was labeled "Wyoming" and "Liverpool." From this it is inferred that he came from America in the steamer Wyoming, but the police refuse to disclose any knowledge they may have obtained as to his movements, or as to the contents of the black box.

The Practice of Pension Agents. WASHINGTON, D. C., January 31. Secretary Teller and Commissioner of Pensions Clarke were I Committee on Pensions, Bounty and Backpay again yesterday in reference to the practice of pension agents before the Interior Department. They explained the different orders issued by the department on the subject under investigation. An effort will be made by the committee to report a bill regulating the practice of pension agents in time to have it incorporated in one of the regular appropriation bills, but nothing is known at present of the scope of the proposed nessure.

THE SILVER CONVENTION.

esults of the Deliberations of the N Silver Convention at Denver-Propos Formation of a National Association-T Execution of the Bland Bill Demanded

DENVER, COL., January 31. At yesterday's session of the Conven he committee to formulate a plan for a National Association reported, recommending the formation of a National Bi-metallic Association with headquarters at Denver. This committee is to prepare a memorial address on the subject of silver and bi-metallic currency; also to secure the co-operation of the advocates of bi-metallic currency in each silverbearing State to act as members of the National committee, who shall agree to act on the basis of the aforesaid me-

A meeting of the National Committee is then to be called, and a National organization perfected. The power is delegated to the National Committee to call a National Convention to create a bureau of statistics and information, and to prepare plans to secure National legislation.

The Committee on Resolutions made two reports, and the majority report was amended and adopted. It favors bi-met-alism as embodied in the laws previous to 1873; urges the enactment of those laws; demands the free and unlimited coinage of standard dollars, and their payment from the Treasury to discharge debts of the United States; calls for the withdrawal of one and two dollar-notes; condemns the Secretaries of the Treasury for their evasions of the provisions of the Bland bill; demands that the Clearing House balances of the Government be paid without discrimination in gold and silver; calls for the amendment of the National banking law, whereby banks shall keep fifteen per cent. of their legal reserves in standard silver, and that bank redemption funds shall be in silver; demands a liberal construction of the Bland bill, and its

faithful execution. The last resolution claims that these demands are based on broader grounds than any consideration of mere sectionalism or protection of a particular industry; that they are the well-nigh forgotten terms of a wise Constitution and aws under which this Nation has gained her place as the foremost; that silver needs no such protection as is extended to the hampered interests of the East; that this is a question touching the nearest interests of every human being in this broad land, and that it involves the question of whether the debt-paying medium of the Nation shall be so changed as to increase the value of notes, bonds, mortgages and other fixed incomes, and depreciate the value of all other property. Adjourned

sine die. A TENNESSEE DESPERADO.

Riley Pile a Fugitive In the Mountains With Two Murders to Answer For-An Organized Hunt Which May Terminate in a

NASHVILLE, TENN., January 30.

Riley Pile, a desperado and moonshiner of Pickett County, killed Deputy United States Marshal Jas. McDonald thrown from the platform of the rear car recently and a few days ago murdered and cut and bruised over the face and Junk Davidson, a highly esteemed farmer. Deputy Marshals Phillips and Mc-Donald raided Pile's still a few weeks ago, destroyed the outfit and arrested Pile. At first Pile pretended to submit. but, waiting his opportunity, he suddenly drew a pistor and instantly killed Mc-Donald. Making his escape under a running fire, Pile hid in the mountains, defying capture. When the excitement died out he appeared among the people, who,

knowing him to be a desperate man, made no attempt to arrest him. He conceived the notion that a farmer, Luke Davidson, had betrayed him to the raiders. He went to Davidson and made him give him a note for \$75, the value of the still destroyed by the revenue men. The note fell due the other day and Davidson refused to pay. Pile said he would have blood or money, and would give him two days to settle. At the end of that time, finding Davidson working in a Mr. Seaman, of Bayonne, N. J., who field, Pile, at the muzzle of a rifle, marched him up the mountain side, to where a huge ledge projects over a high cliff. He told Davidson that he was going to place

the note on his forehead and collect it by pushing him over the precipice. A woman living near by had seen the two men, and knowing Pile's desperate character, dispatched a boy in search of Davidson's brother Junk. The latter was found, and accompanied by a man named Oliver, was soon on Pile's trail, and arrived in sight just as Pile was about to shove his victim over the precipice. Oliver accidentally slipped, attracting Pile's attention. The latter instantly fired with his rifle, mortally wounding Junk Davidson, who died in a few hours. Luke Davidson took to his heels and escaped, leaving Pile and Oliver alone. Oliver fired his pistol, severely wounding Pile in the arm. A running fire ensued for three quarters of a mile, Oliver reloading his pistol three times. Pile jumped behind a rock, and Oliver afraid to approach, gave up the chase. Pile was joined next day by his brother, who is equally well known as a desperado. The citizens have organized parties and are searching the mountains, declar-

ing they will lynch them.

Two Actresses Seriously Injured. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., January 30. Shortly after twelve this morning a shocking accident happened to Mrs. Geo. W. Barnum, Tilly Barnum, of the Milton Nobles Dramatic Company and Mrs. J. R. Healy of the same company was also injured. The troupe performed here last night, and after their performance, while returning to the hotel, Mrs. Barnum was struck on the head by a trunk which was being lowered from the stage to the street by a windiass. She was severely injured and Mrs. Healy, who was with her, was also injured. It is feared Mrs. Barnum's spine is affected. and there is danger from concussion

of the brain. The Financial Situation

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 30. Secretary McCulloch had a conference at the Treasury Department to-day with Assistant Treasurer Acton and Messrs. Dowd, Vermilye and Coe, New York bankers, on the general subject of the financial situation of the country. It is understood that the present policy of the Treasury Department with reference to the use of silver certificates in transactions with the Clearing House, as well as the efforts of the department to prevent unnecessary agitation of the silver question, were indorsed by the New Yorkers

Down An Embankment. PETERSBURG, ILL., January 3L. As the north-bound train which left about mid-way between Tree Station and Petersburg last evening the entire train, except the engine, left the track and rolled down an embankment about ten feet high. Conductor Sandy Burrill had his head cut and his shoulder dislocated, and J. H. Danewood, of Nianatic, Ill., was badly cut about the head and had his arm injured. The first passenger to escape from the wreck was the Rev. J. J. Walter, of El Paso, Ill., who kicked out the win-dows and assisted the bruised and injured.